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SUBJ.: US-USSR MARITIME AGREEMENT: THIRD SESSION OF
DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES

1. MINISTRY OF MERCHANT MARINE DEPUTY FOREIGN RELATIONS
CHIEF IVANOV CALLED IN EMBOFF MARCH 14 TO TRANSMIT LETTER
TO ECON/COMM COUNSELOR CONTAINING SOVIET DRAFT AGENDA
FOR THIRD SESSION OF DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES EMBASSYP
TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT WHICH HAS
BEEN REACHED CONCERNING THE HOLDING OF THE THIRD SESSION
OF DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE USSR AND USA
REGARDING CERTAIN MARITIME MATTERS OF OCTOBER 14, 1972,
STARTING MAY 13, 1974 IN MOSCOW, AND ALSO IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR MEETINGS OF THE DESIGNATED
REPRESENTATIVES OF MAY 30, 1973, THE SOVIET DELEGATION
PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AGENDA FOR THE THIRD SESSION:

I. REVIEW OF HAULAGE FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 22,
1972 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1973, AND FOR THE FIRST QUARTER
OF 1974:

A) BULK CARGOES;

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B) LINEAR CARGOES

II. RATES FOR FREIGHT HAULAGE IN BILATERAL TRADE:

A) FOR GRAIN CARGOES

B) FOR OTHER BULK CARGOES

III. DISTRIBUTION OF CARGOES BETWEEN NATIONAL FLAG SHIPS; FURTHER IMPROVEMENT IN METHODOLOGY; SIMPLIFYING FORMS OF BOOKKEEPING

IV. ASSURING BUNKERS AND TOWER SERVICE IN THE PORTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES

V. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONSULAR MATTERS

VI. OTHER MATTERS

THE SOVIET DELEGATION IS PREPARED TO ENTERTAIN WISHES RELATING TO THE INCLUSION IN THE AGENDA OF OTHER MATTERS WHICH THE AMERICAN SIDE MIGHT WISH TO DISCUSS AT THE SESSION.

PLEASE INFORM (ME) OF THE OPINION OF THE AMERICAN SIDE CONCERNING THE SUGGESTED AGENDA, AND ALSO DESIRES OF THE US DELEGATION PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE ORGANIZATION OF TRIPS DURING THE TIME OF ITS VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION.

THE TEXT OF THE SUGGESTED AGENDA IS BEING SENT SIMULTANEOUSLY TO MR. ROBERT VLACKWELL, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE OF THE USA FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS. SINCERELY, I. AVERIN, CHIEF, ADMINISTRATION FOR FOREIGN RELATIONS.

END QUOTE

2. DURING MEETING IVANOV NOTED THAT SOVIET SIDE WAS PRELIMINARILY PLANNING TO HOST AMERICAN DELEGATION ON TRIP AROUND BLACK SEA. BOTH IVANOV AND PROTOCOL CHIEF PALADICH STRESSED THAT BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE WISHES OF US SIDE SHOULD BE MADE KNOWN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
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SO AS TO UTILIZE AVAILABLE TIME WITH MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY. EMBOFF PROMISED TO REPORT BACK UPON RECEIPT OF WASHINGTON REACTION TO PROPOSED AGENDA AND PROGRAM
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